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AMENDMENT

This Amendment corresponds to the Office Action dated January 30, 2001 (Paper No. 8) in the patent application referenced above. This Amendment is timely filed by virtue of the enclosed Petition for a Two-Month Extension of time, which extends the period available for response through and including July 2, 2001 (June 30 and July 1, 2001 being a Saturday and Sunday). Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraphs appearing in the specification at:

- i) page 4, lines 2-3;
- ii) page 14, lines 21-28;
- iii) page 40, lines 16-18; and
- iv) page 42, lines 1-14

to read as set forth in the enclosed "Clean Copy of Substitute Paragraphs, As Amended." For the Examiner's convenience, a "Marked-Up Copy of Substitute Paragraphs, As Amended" is also included wherein text added to the paragraphs is underlined and text deleted from the paragraphs is struck through.

